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Letter dated 20 December 1991 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a communiqué from the Presidency of the French Republic and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs concerning the judicial inquiry conducted on the attack on the UTA DC-10 of 19 September 1989.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 125, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Jean-Bernard MERIMEE

* This communication is reissued at the request of the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations.

ANNEX

Communiqué from the Presidency of the French Republic
and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

The judicial inquiry conducted with regard to the attack on the UTA DC-10, which resulted in 171 deaths on 19 September 1989 places heavy presumptions of guilt for this odious crime on several Libyan nationals.

Accordingly, following the summoning of the Ambassador of Libya to France by the Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs, the French Government reiterates its demand that the Libyan authorities cooperate immediately, effectively and by all possible means with French justice in order to help to establish responsibility for this terrorist act.

To that end, France calls upon Libya:

- To produce all the material evidence in its possession and to facilitate access to all documents that might be useful for establishing the truth.

- To facilitate the necessary contacts and meetings, inter alia, for the assembly of witnesses.

- To authorize the responsible Libyan officials to respond to any request made by the examining magistrate responsible for judicial information.